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Ways and Means Committee
Board of Aldermen
1200 Market Street, City Hall, room 230
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Re: Department of Health Updates and Accomplishments in FY2016

Dear Ways and Means Committee Members,

FY2016 was a busy year for the Department of Health. Please find enclosed a summary outlining the Department of Health's accomplishments for the year. The summary also provides a snapshot of the many ways Department staff identified, assessed, and addressed public health concerns throughout the City during the year.

The information you are receiving contains data briefs on some of the major continuing and emerging public health threats facing the City. There is also a report from our largest division the Bureau of Environmental Health.

Providing essential public health services requires community collaborations and partnerships. Creating new partnerships and strengthening those already in existence are priority goals for the Department in 2017.

You'll find throughout the enclosed summary numerous examples of our efforts in meeting in our six strategic focus areas, Sustainability, Health Equity, Obesity, Violence, Innovative Communications, and Emergency Preparedness (SHOVIE). We welcome your comments and recommendations on how we can serve you and the citizens of the City of St. Louis better.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Melba R. Moore".

Melba R. Moore, MS, CPHA
Acting Director/Commissioner of Health